

REMARKS

1.) Claim Amendments

Claim 45 has been amended to delete unnecessary text. Claims 27-52 remain pending in the application.

2.) Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has asserted that claims 27-44 (Group I) and claims 45-52 (Group II) are drawn to distinct inventions and that the application must be restricted to one group. Applicants elect, **with traverse**, Group I of the pending claims.

The Examiner's restriction requirement is improper. Group I is directed to a system and Group II is directed to a method, wherein the essential limitations of the independent claims thereof, claims 27 and 45, are directed to the same subject matter, **both of which include limitations relating to a "service providing network" and a "wireless radio access network."** In asserting that the inventions of Group I and II are distinct, the Examiner relies on the difference between dependent claim 34 of Group I and dependent claim 52 of Group II, rather than distinctions between independent claims 27 and 45. Dependent claim 34 specifies a limitation on the "service providing network," while dependent claim 52 specifies a further limitation with respect to the "wireless radio access network," both of which are included in independent claims 27 and 45. Thus, the inventions defined by independent claim 27 of Group I and claim 45 of Group II overlap in scope and are not distinct, nor are they separable usable. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the restriction requirement.

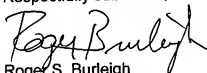
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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, the Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the restriction requirement.

The Applicants request a telephonic interview if the Examiner has any questions or requires any additional information that would further or expedite the prosecution of the Application.

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